

WAR TO THE KNIFE

The Department is Afraid of the Rustlers

WHO ARE SHAKING UP THINGS

In the Wild and Unbroken Regions of Wyoming—The Situation Daily Becoming More Serious.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The "rustler" trouble in Wyoming was the principal topic of discussion at the meeting of the cabinet Tuesday. All the members were present except the secretary of the treasury and the attorney general. The situation in Wyoming is regarded as serious in view of the fact that the feeling against the rustlers in charge of the military is very bitter and also because of the freely expressed threats of desperate men that they mean to avenge the killing of Champion and Ray at the first opportunity. No word has been received from Col. Van Horn and his captives at Fort McKimsey since Saturday morning, when he telegraphed Gen. Brooks at Omaha that he would start that day for Douglas to turn his prisoners over to the civil authorities. Efforts to communicate with Fort McKimsey and vicinity since that date have failed, and this has led to the belief that the rustlers or their sympathizers have destroyed all telegraphic communication so as to prevent the authorities from learning the true situation of affairs until after their own purpose had been accomplished.

A CHINESE INVASION.

Two Thousand Scattered Along the Line Between Canada and the United States—When the Present Law Expires, May 6, They Will Flock Into This Country.

SEATTLE, Wash., April 20.—Two thousand Chinamen are distributed along the Washington, Idaho and Montana line awaiting the expiration of the exclusion law on May 6 in order to cross into the United States from British Columbia. Eminent counsel have been retained by the companies which bring the coolies over under contract to defend any of the Chinese who may be arrested after crossing the border on May 6. The feeling against the Mongols is very bitter among laboring men, and it is probable that after May 6, if it should be decided that the present law expired then and if no new law should be enacted, summary proceedings to expel the Chinese will be taken.

IN CONGRESS.

Both Branches Hold Exceedingly Quiet Sessions.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The senate agreed to Senator George's resolution for an inquiry into the present condition of agriculture in the United States. It also passed the West Virginia direct tax bill and the bill to establish a court of appeals for the District of Columbia. It then proceeded to the consideration of executive business.

In the house Mr. Catchings (Miss.) from the committee on rules, reported a resolution directing the committee on civil service reform to investigate whether all or any of the officials in Baltimore found by the investigation of the civil service commission to have violated the law are still in office, and whether any such officials have been indicted and proceeded against in the courts for such violation of the law.

Mr. O'Ferrall (Va.) then called up the Hayes-Rockwell contested election case. He gave notice that at the end of ten hours' debate he would demand the previous question. Though election cases in the house seldom attract much attention from the judges who are to decide upon them, the arguments of counsel listened to them with the closest interest, and there was an unusually large number of judges in attendance. The case was opened by Mr. Lawson (Ga.). He was followed by Mr. Johnson (Ind.). He spoke for Mr. Hayes. Mr. Bacon (N. Y.) argued for the contestee. Pending action the house adjourned.

FOUR NEGROES LYNCHED.

Selected Murderers Taken by a Mob from a Florida Jail and Hanged.

OCALA, Fla., April 20.—Four negroes were lynched at Inverness Tuesday morning about 2 o'clock by a mob of 150 men. Monday eight negroes were caught, one of whom was a woman. They confessed and implicated two others in the murder of Stevenson and Payne last Friday night. All were taken from jail Tuesday by a masked mob. A strong guard and the pleadings of the justice being broken. Three were hanged first and at the hanging another was implicated. The mob returned to the jail and secured Albert Robinson and hanged him. The negroes, armed with Winchester, congregated, but offered no resistance. They were powerless, although well armed. The governor wired for the Ocala rifles, who remained at their armory until the 4 o'clock train, but their services were not needed. There was great excitement in Ocala and Ocala, and vast crowds were on the streets all night. The names of those hanged are Ferry Williams, George Davis, William Williams and Albert Robinson. More trouble is expected, as two more are implicated, but not caught yet. The negroes are in great strength at the mine and it is estimated that 1,500 weapons are in their possession and future outbreaks are expected.

PAID IN BLOOD.

A Colored Quack Murdered a Man Who Deputed Him for Service.

QUINCY, Ill., April 20.—Charles Aaron, son of John Aaron, an old and prominent farmer who lives about a mile northwest of Ocala, 9 miles from here, was shot and killed Tuesday morning by W. J. Jamison, a negro who had been known as Dr. Smith and who claimed \$200 for treatment of Charles Aaron's mother for cancer. Turning from the body of the dying man the murderer presented his revolver at the father's head and threatened to blow his brains out unless he wrote a check for the amount. The old man did so and the dead took the paper and left. The wounded man died about 8:30. Jamison had been stopping at the house for over a month pretending to treat Mrs. Aaron for a cancer in her face, his treat-

ment of course proving unavailing. Meyer, the hired hand, at once rode to Fowler, about three-quarters of a mile distant, giving the alarm as he flew and sent Dr. Vowels to attend the wounded man. The police here were notified by wire and Sheriff Vancil and officers were immediately sent out to assist the posse in capturing the murderer. But before the arrival of the Quincey officers the citizens and farmers of Ocala and Fowler had run their man down at Isaac Vooris' house, half a mile south of Eubank. Jamison was wounded and worn out and ran into Vooris' house to surrender. In the running fight fully fifty shots were exchanged between the fugitive and his pursuers, and twenty of these were fired by Jamison from his large revolver, which he reloaded while running. Constable Long raised a Winchester and ordered the murderer to surrender. Jamison fired three shots at the constable, when Long fired from his Winchester eight times, one bullet taking effect in Jamison's left hand and the other entering his hip. The prisoner was brought to this city on a freight train and turned over to the sheriff, who removed him to the county jail, where his wounds were dressed. Jamison is wanted in Arkansas for murder.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE.

Gladstone Gives Some of His Reasons for Opposing the Movement.

LONDON, April 20.—Mr. Gladstone has written a pamphlet giving his reasons for opposing the enfranchisement of women. He believes that the question ought to be further discussed by the press and on the platform, and that the time is not yet ripe for legislative interference. Mr. Gladstone notes as an objection that the woman suffrage bill excludes married women equally or better qualified to exercise the franchise. He further contends that the sex largely opposes the proposed reform, which would open the question of the right of women to fill any public office. He does not fear that woman would encroach upon the power of man, but he does fear "lest we unwittingly invite her to trespass the purity, delicacy and elevation of her own nature."

FATHER AND SON SHOT.

One Dead, the Other Dying, as the Result of an Illinois Feud.

CLINTON, Ill., April 20.—Kelly Brock, one of the three sons of Elias Brock, living northwest of Wapella, on Tuesday shot and killed a Mr. Halsey and mortally wounded Halsey's father with a revolver. A deadly family hatred has existed between the Brocks and Halseys for a number of years. They are prominent old settlers and—minors threats have been made by each in turn. Kelly Brock and the two Halseys met casually Tuesday afternoon near the residence of the former. The Halseys were unarmed. The old man was shot through the nose, the ball tearing through his face and head. Physicians say he cannot live. Excitement runs high at both Wapella and Heyworth, and officers are in pursuit of Brock.

Killed by a Terrible Fall.

St. Louis, April 20.—Frank Bottiger, a married man living at 218 Barry street, was instantly killed about 6 o'clock Tuesday night, while at work at the Anheuser-Busch brewery in company with John Welz and John Lattier. They were on a scaffold about 150 feet from the ground. As they were about to quit work the rope broke and Bottiger was precipitated to the ground and instantly killed. Welz and Lattier clutched the ends of the ropes and held on until rescued.

Tunneled Their Way to Liberty.

ATHENS, April 20.—Whilst a religious procession was passing the prison here Tuesday twenty-two prisoners emerged from a tunnel which they had dug from the jail to a cellar and escaped in the crowd. They had worked at the tunnel apparently for about three months, as it was 50 feet long, twice as large round as a man's body and had been dug with their fingers. The work was done at night and the dirt was carried out by the prisoners in their clothes.

Burned to Death.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., April 20.—A shop of Detweiler, Street & Co.'s pyrotechnic works on West Side avenue was blown up at about 10 o'clock Tuesday night. John Detweiler of Fulton avenue and Alfred Volte of Walker avenue were burned to death and Edward Polson of 155 Runyan avenue was fearfully burned. Four other inmates of the shop escaped with less serious injuries.

Plenty of Coin in Circulation.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—Director Leach, of the United States mint, says that there is now stored in the vaults of the treasury department upwards of \$500,000,000 in silver and the coinage of \$50,000 ounces monthly for circulation is still going on. In gold and silver there is a billion and a half dollars in circulation in this country, so that there is no need for a scare on financial resources at this time.

Secured \$20,000 Damages.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 20.—M. J. Tierney, a freight conductor on the Louisville & Nashville railroad, has been given \$20,000 damages against the Standard Oil Company. He was mutilated for life by burning from the explosion of a barrel of naphtha not properly labeled, shipped on his train.

Sold for \$15,000.

GREENSBORO, Pa., April 20.—The trotter Dandy, 2:18½, by Atlantic-Fancy, was sold Tuesday afternoon to William Sherick, of Pennsylvania, for \$15,000. Dandy was bought two years ago for \$5,000, and last year cleared \$15,000 for his owner.

Baron Schaffer Is Dead.

VIENNA, April 20.—Baron Schaffer, once Austrian minister at Washington, is dead. He was recalled from Washington on account of a dispute between Austria and the United States, and at once retired to private life.

Setled a Revolutionary Sheet.

LONDON, April 20.—The Commonwealth, the anarchist paper seized by the police Tuesday, is a four-page paper, measuring 15 inches by 10. It describes itself as a revolutionary journal of anarchism and communism.

An Appointment.

WASHINGTON, April 20.—The president has appointed John B. Tamm, formerly state treasurer of Illinois, as assistant United States treasurer at Chicago.

FOSTER IN THE VAN

The Lottery Loses in the Louisiana Election

McENERY IS A GOOD SECOND

Foster, the Candidate of the Opposition, Wins Easily—Many Illinois Towns Elect Officers.

NEW ORLEANS, La., April 20.—The election Tuesday in Louisiana was one of the most important ever held here. Advice so far received indicate Foster has carried the state by about 10,000 plurality. The republicans have carried about six parishes, claiming Concordia among them, but McEnery, the rival democratic candidate, will be second in point of votes. The McEnery majority in the city has been reduced, but John Fitzpatrick, the McEnery nominee for mayor, is elected by from 4,000 to 5,000 majority. The election was quiet, considering the scratching in the city was unprecedented.

What They Voted For.

The people voted for governor and other state officers, for a full legislature, senate and house for four years, and for district, parish and local officers, and those of New Orleans voted in addition for all their municipal officers from mayor and councilmen down. Three amendments to the constitution were also submitted to the popular vote. (1) Authorizing the city of New Orleans to fund its bonds at a lower rate of interest; (2) an amendment authorizing the police jury to levy an additional tax for school purposes if authorized by the votes of the people of the parish; and (3) the famous revenue amendment extending the charter of the Louisiana Lottery Company.

Illinois Elections.

CHICAGO, April 20.—Many cities and towns throughout the state held elections on Tuesday for municipal officers. In most places the license question was the issue.

License carried the day in the following places: Petersburg, Monticello, Mount Vernon, Sullivan, Woodstock, Tiskia, Sterling, Aurora, Fairbury, Marshall, Geneva, Chenoa, Yorkville, Morrison, Sumner, Shelbyville, Wyoming, Elgin, Duquoin, Sullivan, Tuscola, Milford, Plano, Greenville, Decatur, Maroa, Warren, Kewanee, Galena, Alton, Toledo, De Kalb, Wenona, Taylorville, Benton, Sandwich, Bement, Monticello, Champaign, Rochelle, Roodhouse and Ransom.

The temperance people won in the following cities: Fairfield, Whitehall, Galeburg, Ashburn, Shawneetown, Odell, Winchester, Martinsville, Kirkwood, Sheldon, Lena, Carrollton, Pontiac, McLeansboro, Flora, Robinson, Clay City, Harrisburg, Vienna, Gilman, Cambridge, Pittsfield, Virginia, Christian, Tuscola, Monmouth, Illinois, Paw Paw, Forreston, Dwight, Bushnell and Nashville.

The republican ticket won in the following places: Paxton, Streator, Carlinville, Morris, Hillsboro, Paris, Highland, Naperville, Clinton and Vienna. The democrats were successful in the following: Kankakee, Seneca, Peoria, Murphysboro, Galena and Anna.

Caught in a Belt.

DUQUOIN, Ill., April 20.—While Joseph Huber was adjusting a belt in Carr, Ryder & Engler's factory Tuesday his clothing caught and he was drawn up to the shafting. His body revolved about this with such force that his legs broke the steam pipes above. One arm and both legs were broken, his head crushed and back badly hurt. His clothing was torn from his body and he dropped to the floor unconscious, dying in a few hours.

For Congress.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 20.—E. F. Acheson, of Washington county, has been nominated for congress by the republican conference of the Twenty-fourth congressional district, comprising Washington, Green, Fayette and part of Allegheny counties.

Five Sisters Die of Diphtheria.

MUSKOGEE, Mich., April 20.—Five daughters in the family of Alexander Coutchie have died within eight days of diphtheria. The sixth and only remaining child is now ill with the disease. The parents are prostrated with grief.

Fatal Fire in Sioux City.

SIoux CITY, Ia., April 20.—Fifteen thousand dollars' worth of furniture belonging to the Omaha Installment Company was destroyed by fire; insurance, \$2,000. George Lech, who accidentally started the fire, inhaled some smoke and is fatally injured.

San Butler's Property Attached.

LOWELL, Mass., April 20.—Gen. Butler's Lowell property has been attached for \$50,000 by the C. F. Jewett Publishing Company of Boston, in a suit growing out of the printing of the general's Memoirs.

Shedded His Brother.

COLUMBUS, Ind., April 20.—Tuesday night Louis and George Smith, brothers, fell out over a trivial matter and the result was a fight in which Louis was cut three times. One stab penetrated his lung, causing a wound that will probably prove fatal.

Killed by Her Husband.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 20.—The body of Mrs. Catherine Biever, of this city, was found in bed with the head crushed in by an ax. Her husband had committed the murder.

THE EMPEROR'S HAREN.

"130 Unfortunate Field Captive in the Palace of Peking."

The "Palace of Earth's Ropes" is where the Emperor of China holds her court and rules over the imperial harem, where only glimpses of the outside world is what they can see in the imperial flower garden. The present young emperor, in addition to his seven lawful concubines, has already no less than one hundred and thirty others in his harem—H. O'Shea's article in the *Illustrated American*. Such is the life of the most highly favored of Chinese women—prisoners within the palace walls they live out an existence in real slavery. American women know no slavery but that which depends on themselves. Sometimes they are overworked, "run-down," weak and ailing—then is the time to turn to the right medicine. The one who takes Dr. Farrow's Favorite Prescription immediately benefits from her weakness and becomes a stronger and a happier woman—more than that—a healthy one. For all the weakness and ailments peculiar to womanhood, "Favorite Prescription" is a positive remedy. And because it's a certain remedy, it's made a guaranteed one. If it fails to benefit or cure, in any case, you get your money back. Can you ask more?

WE DO NOT

Present a fairy vision of far away Paris and London Fashions, but a startling materialization of all the elegant novelties and weaves made in those countries. They are as fresh as the sparkling dew in the early morning glory.

This is the Week of Weeks

—AT—

SPRING & COMPANY'S STORE.

The brightest gems, the rarest weaves, the greatest bargains will confront the multitudes who visit the store during the next six days.

Every department will furnish strong inducements in favor of immediate purchase. Let no one delude you into the belief that they can offer you better inducements for your patronage. We never surrender our position as the largest, the leading and the most reliable dry goods house in Western Michigan. Our store is full to the rafters with choice selections. There is an Easter thought in the dainty fabrics, the fluffy white fans of ostrich and gauze material. There's a delightful suggestion of balmy breezes, of rolling serf and quiet rest in the shade of one of our stunning parasols, of which we show everything out.

Our Spring Cloaks and Wraps!

Are veritable Easter lilies plucked from the garden of the earth's king manufacturers. Your time to buy a new wrap will be this week.

DRESS GOODS!

We back our argument with facts.

THESE ARE THIS WEEK'S PRICES!

25 pieces Alexander Twills, All shades, 36 inches,	23½c	35 pieces All-wool Suitings, plain and fancy,	37½c
40 pieces Diagonal and Henriettas, Plain colors, 36 inches,	26½c	46 pieces Henriettas, Serges and Mixed Effects, all wool,	48c
Fine assortment of Silk Sublimes, 44-46 in., \$1.25 and \$1.50,	98c	1700 yards (30 styles) New and Beautiful Brilliant Challies just opened.	
A full assortment of Pattern Dresses, Just received \$4.50 to \$12.50			

ANOTHER OUTBREAK

A Wild Charge will be made at

THE VOSSEN STOCK

MONDAY MORNING.

The crazy man with his pencil has slashed the prices right and left to close the goods out quick.

IT IS A FATAL STAB--READ!

DOMESTIC DEPARTMENT.	DRESS GOODS DEPARTMENT.	HOSIERY AND UNDERWEAR DEPT.
Good Prints, per yard.....3c	200 yards Plain, Field and Striped Dress Goods, worth 20c and 25c, for.....12½c	75 dozen Children's Ribbed, fast black Hose, size 6 to 9½, worth 15c to 20c, for.....10c
Best Prints, per yard.....4c	200 yards Plain and Fancy Goods, worth 20c and 25c, for.....16½c	100 dozen Children's Ribbed, Seaming, fast black Hose, size 6 to 9½, worth 15c to 20c, for.....16c
200 pieces Gingham, per yard.....4c	60 Patterns, 5 yards each, worth \$2.50, for.....\$1.68	100 dozen Ladies' Ribbed Balbriggan Socks, worth 15c, for.....48c
125 pieces Fine Gingham.....5c	60 Dress Patterns, worth \$5.00, at.....\$3.98	
100 pieces Unbleached yard wide Cotton.....4c	50 D-See Patterns, worth \$2.50, for.....\$2.00	
100 pieces Unbleached yard wide Cotton.....5c	60 Dress Patterns, worth \$4.00, for.....\$2.48	
35 pieces Unbleached 5-4 yd wide Cotton.....17c		
40 pieces Unbleached 5-4 yd wide Cotton.....19c		
125 pieces Bleached yard wide Cotton.....5c		
150 pieces Bleached yard wide Cotton.....6c		
110 pieces Bleached 5-4 yard wide Cotton.....19c		
30 pieces Bleached 5-4 yard wide Cotton.....21c		
15 pieces 10 inch wide Serge Dress Goods, fast color, worth 15c.....10c		
15 pieces Veauilan Dress Goods, yd wide worth 25c.....15c		

One Remnant all styles, at half price.

KID GLOVES.

40 dozen Ladies' 4-button Double Gloves every pair warranted, worth \$1.00, at 50c.

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